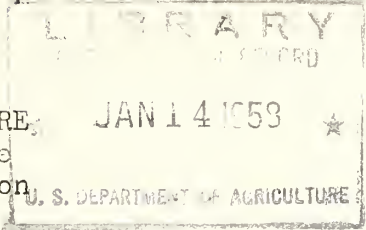


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MELLORINE AND OTHER FROZEN DESSERTS  
MADE WITH FATS AND OILS OTHER THAN MILK-FAT

AUGUST 1956

Estimated by the Agricultural Marketing Service at 3,635,000 gallons for August, the production of Mellorine and other frozen desserts made with fats and oils other than milk-fat was 6 percent smaller than that of August last year. Sharp decreases in Illinois and Missouri and a small decrease in Texas were more than sufficient to offset increases in Alabama, Arkansas and Oklahoma. Output was unchanged from a year ago in all western states permitting the manufacture of frozen desserts made with fats and oils other than milk-fat: Oregon, California, Montana and Nevada.

August production this year was at about the same level as the August output of 1954, with gains in Alabama, Arkansas, Oklahoma, Texas and Montana countering losses in Illinois, Missouri and California.

Production of Mellorine advanced 1 percent between July and August, compared with a gain of 5 percent at this season last year and a decline of 7 percent between these months in 1954. Between July and August this year, output rose in Alabama and Texas, but dropped in Illinois, Missouri, Oregon and California. No change was indicated for the other "Mellorine" states.

In the first 8 months of 1956, Mellorine production totaled 23,335,000 gallons, or 1 percent more than in that period of 1955 and 4 percent larger than the January-August output of 1954.

For August 1955, Mellorine production was estimated at 3,870,000 gallons, or 7 percent larger than the output of August 1954. Increases occurred in all "Mellorine-producing" states except California.

Production of ice cream during this August was estimated at 72,205,000 gallons -- a decrease of 4 percent from the August output last year.

United States Production Of Mellorine And Other Frozen Desserts  
Made With Fats And Oils Other Than Milk-fat, Jan. - August 1956, With Comparisons

Month	Enumerated Production			Estimated Production		Change 1955	Change 1956
	1952	1953	1954	1955	1956	from 1954	from 1955
	Thousand Gallons					Percent	
January .....	312	1,064	1,505	1,640	1,715	+ 9	+ 5
February .....	325	1,162	1,998	1,830	2,005	- 8	+ 10
March .....	428	1,607	2,342	2,560	2,710	+ 9	+ 6
April .....	567	1,767	2,724	2,640	2,640	- 3	0
May .....	1,024	2,201	2,707	3,320	3,395	+ 23	+ 2
June .....	1,411	3,139	3,628	3,575	3,645	- 1	+ 2
July .....	1,629	2,978	3,909	3,670	3,590	- 6	- 2
August .....	1,526	2,731	3,627	3,870	3,635	+ 7	- 6
EIGHT MONTH TOTAL	7,222	16,649	22,440	23,105	23,335	+ 3	+ 1

